

HOTEL COSTING QUARTER MILLION OFFERED CHICKASHA

FINE FEED ENJOYED BY MEN'S CLUB

Nearly 100 Attend Monthly Dinner, Served at College by Catholic Ladies With President Austin Acting As Toastmaster

DURBIN MAKES HIT AS MOVIE PRODUCER

Presents "O. C. W." in Three Reels—Hamilton, Johnson and Dr. Wray Give Entertaining Talks; Meet Same Place Next Month

A grand feed, served by the Catholic ladies of the city, four grand talks and a grand time of good fellowship during both banquet and toasts, made the Men's Dinner club meeting in the dining hall of the Oklahoma College for Women last night if possible a greater success than any previous one. Slightly less than one hundred business men of Chickasha attended, to be exact, 95. One speaker stated that he had traveled much in the past few years, touching many countries on both hemispheres, and never before had he seen so many business men of a city the size of Chickasha at one meeting, the purpose of which was merely to meet and have a social good time.

President G. W. Austin was the toastmaster. He was introduced by D. B. Roche, president of the organization.

President Austin demonstrated to Chickasha people that happy faculty he possesses of putting an audience perfectly at ease. He joked of the method in which a number of business men had clamored for places on the program, and of how it had been necessary to limit the number to four speakers, then limit them to speeches of nine minutes each.

Attorney S. C. Durbin, the first speaker, was introduced as one "who had taken a great interest in the College, had been a frequent visitor in the halls and had always been given a fitting welcome by those whom he had gone out to see."

Three Reels by Durbin. In a novel and interesting manner, the speaker gave the response to his toast. "The Oklahoma College for Women." It was a history of the college, "in three reels."

"The first reel of this picture is merely introductory," the speaker said, "as all first reels are. It is a picture of the college as I first saw it. Coming from farther east and farther north, I was prepared to hear crooked rivers and hills called mountains, but even then I was surprised to find an institution which boarded in the Bohart Flats called a college."

After elaborating somewhat further on the humble beginning of the school, Mr. Durbin presented the second reel of the picture, showing the institution growing but struggling under heavy odds, not the least of which was the impression, first, that it was a place for incorrigible girls, and second, that it was a school of no interest or profit to the state, merely a plim the people of Oklahoma thought Grady county politicians obtained for their district. During the second "reel," the politician of the state themselves believed that the school was a sort of cog in the political machinery of Oklahoma, places in which were to be used as the exigencies of politics demanded.

"The third reel," the producer of scenarios said, "takes us back to two years ago, when the present head of the institution took charge. We see before us a real college, serving a real purpose in the educational system of the state and serving not just one locality, but every section of the state impartially."

"And it is my hope that the third reel be an endless one." Toastmaster Austin responded as Mr. Durbin concluded his toast.

The short talks made by President Austin between toasts were perhaps the most delightful of the entertainment. "I have studiously avoided all discussion of the matters treated in the first two reels of the picture," he

said, "but I can say for the third that it does give a true picture of the college as it is today, an institution with possibilities for this state that I fear even none of you men realize."

Hamilton's Thunder Stolen.

Judge Eugene Hamilton was the next speaker, introduced by the toastmaster as one whose friendship he valued very highly.

"I can't talk of war on such an occasion as this because we would not agree. I can't speak of religion because I see there are two ministers present, so I have decided to talk on a subject on which we can all agree," the speaker began. He spoke of the Oklahoma College for Women, and its relation to the educational system of the country.

Judge Hamilton first discussed briefly the defects of a public school education which has the preparation of the student for the university in view, though only one per cent of the children ever reach college. He lamented the lack of more vocational and specialized training in the public school system, and referred to the Oklahoma College for Women as an institution that did correct these defects, that did give a woman just the training that a woman should have, and that, above everything else, taught girls that work is not disgraceful, but ennobling and elevating.

The Oklahoma College for Women was referred to not only as the school designed to correct these evils, but also as one that was actually accomplishing the purpose, under the management of President G. W. Austin.

Hands it to Austin. The speaker here took occasion to say that he had been very much opposed to Mr. Austin when he came to Chickasha to take charge of the school, but that after seeing his accomplishments of two short years, he could, with every other business man in Chickasha, "slap the president on the back and tell him to go to it, old man."

President Austin took this occasion to tell the business men of Chickasha of his first year of struggle and determination to show the possibilities of the school, and of his joy at being taken in by the men whose interests were here, as a worker and as a friend among them.

Ben F. Johnson's toast on "Thrill" was followed by a twenty-minute entertainment by Rev. J. A. Wray on the subject, "Travel and Fun." Dr. Wray proved a master entertainer and his talk was a fitting close to the banquet. In speaking of the banquet this morning, President Roche of the club declared that it was so successful that the next one would be held in the same place, the Nellie Sparks dining hall, and that it would be held at the regular date, the last Tuesday in the month.

WEDDING IS SURPRISE

The wedding of Miss Earle Turner and Mr. James E. Black, occurring at 5:30 o'clock this morning, was a complete surprise to their friends. Although it was known to many that the event was scheduled for the near future, the date was not divulged, and the wedding was kept secret until the bride couple had left Chickasha. Marriage announcements were sent out this afternoon.

The ceremony occurred at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar B. Turner, with Rev. John A. Wray officiating, and only the immediate family present. Miss Turner wore a modish traveling costume of blue taffeta, with a gray milan hat faced with pink georgette, and other accessories in gray. Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Black left for Oklahoma City and from there will go to Galveston. On their return to Chickasha they will be at home to their friends in the Major property on the corner of Ninth street and Iowa avenue.

Miss Turner has been an employee of the Eagle Mercantile Co. for some time, being in the ready-to-wear department the past year. She is a most attractive young lady, pretty and gracious and her friends in Chickasha and vicinity are innumerable. Mr. Black is a traveling salesman for the Dougherty-McDonald wholesale house, popular with his associates and other friends.

BONUS OF \$15,000 IS WANTED

Ben Johnson Outlines Proposal of Capitalist at Dinner Club Meeting—Promises Best Building of Kind in State

SIX-STORY STRUCTURE 100X165 FT. PLANNED

Taxes On Added Outside Capital Would Keep Up Junior High School Bonds, Banker Declares—Reason to Consider Deal

A six-story, quarter million dollar hotel is a possibility for Chickasha, according to statements made at the meeting of the Men's Dinner club last night by Ben F. Johnson, of the First National bank.

An outside capitalist is considering erecting a six story building, 100x165 feet, not the largest but absolutely the best hotel in the state of Oklahoma, if the people of Chickasha want it done, Mr. Johnson announced.

Rumors of the possibility of a new hotel for this city have been circulated freely on the streets for weeks, but not until last night had any definite statement been made on the matter by anyone connected with it. Two sites for the hotel are being considered.

Mr. Johnson discussed briefly the great need for a good hotel in Chickasha. He stated that there were many traveling people who never saw Chickasha because there were not adequate hotel accommodations here, that the town was losing an immense amount of revenue from this source alone. He then told of interesting an outside man in the matter, and finally of obtaining a proposition from him to the people of Chickasha.

"Everything that a city obtains, it must obtain at the expense of some effort," he said. "The state told us that they would locate the Oklahoma College for Women here if we would deed them 160 acres of land, and this same method of doing business is extended clear down the scale of business transactions to the backyard department, where the father tells his son that if he will pick up the chips around the wood pile, he will give him a dime."

"This method of give and take has become so prevalent that it is now almost universal in deciding the location of large private enterprises," Mr. Johnson continued. "Since there are many cities willing and glad to give a bonus for the location of large private institutions of a quasi public character, it becomes necessary that others meet the same conditions."

The proposition was this: The outside capitalist wanted to build a hotel in Chickasha if the people were willing to do their small part. For a bonus of \$15,000 he would erect the building in this city, though two other places were clamoring for a chance at a similar offer.

Will Save City Money. "And it is a fitting topic to discuss under the subject of 'Thrill,'" Mr. Johnson continued in his talk. For \$15,000 you can get an investment of \$250,000 of outside capital in your town. A few months ago we voted bonds of \$75,000 to put up a junior high school building. If this foreign capital comes in, taxation revenues from it will be sufficient to pay the interest on these bonds and supply the sinking fund necessary to redeem them when they are due.

"In other words, by the payment of \$15,000, the people of Chickasha can obtain a tax revenue sufficient to buy and pay for their new school building. And the revenue will continue after the building is paid for."

Of the bonus, \$15,000 is asked for when work starts on the structure and the remaining \$7,500 when the hotel is in operation.

It is understood that the development committee of the Commercial and Farm bureau will consider Mr.

BIG AMERICAN GUNS IN MEXICO



One of the 4.7 inch guns of the Fifth United States artillery on the other side of the Rio Grande.

DIPLOMAS GRANTED AT TUTTLE

Tuttle, Okla., June 28.—(Special.)—Graduating exercises for the twenty-five boys and girls finishing common school in the city schools here this year were held in the opera house last night. A large crowd attended the exercises, the chief address being made by M. H. Shepard, county superintendent. The program for the evening follows:

Invocation—Rev. F. M. Miller.
Song—Miss Edna Ray Hodge.
Recitation—Elizabeth Hollis.
Duet—Gladys Moll, Ora Mae Archer.
Class History—Otto Miller.
Duet—Gusta Hambleton, Eva Mae Meder.
Class Prophecy—Flora Simmons.
Presentation of Diplomas—Supt. M. H. Shepard.

America—Sung by class.
Benediction—W. B. Young.

The following were granted eighth grade diplomas:
Otto Miller, Lillard Brandon, Mae Burba, Rachel Crabbe, Harvey Childers, Mary Callahan, Lynn Crum, Claud Loener, Excell Grimes, Andrew Hastings, Emmett Hollis, Mayne Hayden, Elizabeth Hollis, Marion Hennig, Ruth Lowry, Josephine Medor, Oda Passmore, Horace Potter, Lily Rowland, Arthur Schrock, Lula Mae Strong, Flora Simmons, Fay Shade, Ruby Sankey and Eva Simmons.

HUMPHREY PAYS VISIT

W. D. Humphrey of Oklahoma City spent the day in Chickasha, meeting old friends and attending to the interests of his candidacy for corporation commissioner. Mr. Humphrey has served on the commission since April, 1915, having been appointed to fill an unexpired term by Gov. R. L. Williams. His home is at Nowata, where he served four successive terms as mayor, and from which district he was elected a delegate to the constitutional convention.

Mr. Humphrey is seeking the nomination which will permit him to serve out the remainder of the six year term.

Concerning general conditions in the state, Mr. Humphrey declared this morning that after traveling over a large portion of the country, he believed Oklahoma as a whole was in better condition financially than the state had been in for more than five years. "Crop prospects," he declared, "are excellent, business is getting better all the time and some building is going on in practically every city in the state."

"Concerning my candidacy?" he asked. "Well, I have served one year on the commission. I believe I have made a good record. I know the duties of the office, and am confident I will be elected to fill out the term."

Johnson's proposal at an early date. The latter indicated that the offer would remain open only a limited time.

MILITIA ORDERED TO MOVE

By United Press.
Chicago, Ill., June 28.—The central department here has ordered the militia of Illinois, Kansas, Wisconsin and Missouri to entrain just as soon as members have been mustered in. The following destinations have been announced: Illinois first cavalry, Brownsville; all other Illinois troops, San Antonio; Kansas troops, Eagle Pass; Wisconsin, San Antonio; and Missouri, Laredo.

Other troops of the central department have been ordered to depart just as soon as they are "reasonably ready," points to be named later. Several of these regiments are ready to move today. All will be furnished with equipment at the border.

Six Bandits Killed.

By United Press.
Columbus, N. M., June 28.—Six Mexicans, it is believed the bandits who killed William Parker and his bride near Hachita, are reported to have been killed last night in a fight this side of the border. Members of the American party brought word of the fight this morning.

OVER 8,000 TEACHERS IN SUMMER SCHOOLS

Oklahoma City, June 28.—(Special.)—Almost as many students are attending the summer term of the state schools this summer as there were teachers in Oklahoma five years ago. Under date of June 23rd the registrars reported the attendance for the summer terms as follows:

Edmond Normal, 2241; Durant Normal, 986; Weatherford Normal, 947; Ada Normal, 907; Tahlequah Normal, 823; Alva Normal, 616; Tonkawa Preparatory school, 1103; A. & M. College, 567; State University, 902; A. M. 8,337. All of these students are doing credit work and practically all who take the summer course will teach in some of Oklahoma's schools next year. Five years ago the entire number of teachers in the state was 9,295.

One of the first official acts of State Superintendent Wilson was to organize the summer schools on a credit making basis, thus using the state's property eleven months in the year instead of 3½ months and giving those who teach during the winter an opportunity to attend school during the summer as well as those students who want to do advance standing work. It costs but very little more to maintain the schools with full summer terms than for the regular term of nine months.

A feature of the Normal summer terms this year is a series of lectures by Dr. J. C. Moorman of the National Bureau of Education, Washington, D. C. After visiting only a few of the Normal schools he said that in no other state in the nation is there as much interest in summer school work as in Oklahoma. He declared he was surprised at the popularity of the plan and that he was interested because of its economical features. Dr. Moorman lectured at Tahlequah June 19th and

ANSWER OF CARRANZA EXPECTED

Reply to Note Requesting Release of Prisoners May Come This Afternoon—Protest Against Troops' Conduct Presented

FURTHER CLASH IS DENIED BY FUNSTON

Mexicans South of Naco Bluffed—Two Cowboys are Killed in Fight—President Will Insist on Prompt Action

By United Press.
Washington, June 28.—A reply from the Mexican government is expected by the state department some time this afternoon. It is understood that a telegram has been received from Consul Rogers stating that the message will be received before night.

Ambassador Arredondo has sent a note to the state department protesting against certain conduct of American forces in Mexico, requesting that the guilty soldiers be punished and that action be taken to prevent a recurrence.

Funston Denies Clash.

By United Press.
San Antonio, Tex., June 28.—General Fred Funston denied this morning that there had been a clash between the Eleventh cavalry and the Carranza troops near Ahumada. He declared that if wounded Mexicans were taken to Dublin, as press reports stated, he would have received a report of the affair from General Pershing before this.

The Mexican concentration south of Naco is merely a bluff, Funston thinks, an effort on the part of the Mexicans to get the Americans to show their strength.

Expect New York Militia.

The general declared he expected the New York militia to arrive in Brownsville tomorrow or Friday at the latest. The men will be distributed on the border in the Brownsville district.

By United Press.
El Paso, Tex., June 28.—Americans arriving from Chihuahua City report rumors current in the town that Trevino has threatened to shoot the American prisoners if the United States uses the army in an attempt to rescue them.

Washington, June 28.—Carranza must release the American soldiers who are held as prisoners in Chihuahua City or President Wilson will go after them.

Those close to the president declare that there will be no delay because of the demands from Carranza that Mexican prisoners in this country be released and that the embargo on the shipment of food stuffs into his country be lifted.

That, according to administration officials, is another question. The president is interested now solely in getting the twenty-four American soldiers out of a Chihuahua prison.

It is felt that Carranza will yield. It is known positively that he intended to release the prisoners at first. Danger lies in the possibility of Carranza asking for an "exchange of prisoners." Should Carranza take this position, it would mean the rescue of the American prisoners by force.

Cowboys in Clash.

Mexico City, June 28.—General Calles reported to the war office here that two Americans were killed and one captured in a fight between Americans and Mexican cowboys near Naco, eighty miles south of the border.

When the Mexicans protested against the Americans cutting fences, the latter opened fire on them, killing Mexicans. The Mexicans returned the fire, killing J. F. Harkins and A. F. Dickson. According to Calles, the captured American, Morton Pardee, admitted that his companion began the shooting.

JAPANESE REPORTED IN MEXICO

By United Press.
Laredo, Tex., June 28.—Nine carloads of Japanese soldiers, under Japanese officers, are en route from Monterey to Chihuahua City, according to reports brought in this morning by American refugees arriving from Monterey. The Orientals are being sent to reinforce the Carranza garrison, refugees declare.

The same persons report the steel works in Monterey taken over by the Mexican government, which is turning them into factories for the making of rifle and artillery ammunition under the direction of Japanese experts.

CASEMENT DENIES IT

By United Press.
London, June 28.—The motion to quash the indictment in the case of Sir Roger Casement, on trial for treason, was overruled by the court today. Sir Roger Casement, on trial for his life on the charge of treason, took the stand in his own behalf this morning. He denied that the Irish rebellion was inspired in any way by Germany, or that he had ever taken money from the German government. He denied, also, that he had ever asked Irish prisoners in German prison camps to fight with the Turks and Germans.

WOMAN IS CONVICTED

By United Press.
Fort Worth, Tex., June 28.—Mrs. Harrison was convicted this morning on the charge of murdering her husband. The jury returned the verdict shortly before noon today after being out since 4:45 Saturday afternoon.

The defendant broke down when her sentence was read, five years in prison.

ART SMITH WILL JOIN AMERICAN AVIATION CORPS.

By United Press.
San Francisco, Ca., June 28.—Art Smith, the sensational aviator who flew at the Panama Pacific exposition and at the Texas state fair last year, is returning from Japan to join the American aviation corps, according to word received here this afternoon.

29th, at Edmond the 21st and 22nd, at Durant the 23rd and 24th and at Alva the 26th and 27th. He will lecture at Weatherford June 28th and 29th and at Ada June 30th and July 1st. His lectures are on the subject of better rural school conditions and are made very interesting because of his twelve years experience as supervisor of the government schools in the Philippine Islands.